

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2013**

**HOUSE BILL 10
RATIFIED BILL**

AN ACT TO REMOVE THE RESTRICTION ON THE TURNPIKE AUTHORITY'S
SELECTION OF A CORRIDOR LOCATION FOR THE SOUTHEAST EXTENSION
PROJECT OF N.C. 540.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 136-89.183(a)(2)a. reads as rewritten:

"(2) To study, plan, develop, and undertake preliminary design work on up to eight Turnpike Projects. At the conclusion of these activities, the Turnpike Authority is authorized to design, establish, purchase, construct, operate, and maintain the following projects:

- a. Triangle Expressway, including segments also known as N.C. 540, Triangle Parkway, and the Western Wake Freeway in Wake and Durham Counties, and Southeast Extension in Wake and Johnston Counties, except that no portion of the Southeast Extension shall be located north of an existing protected corridor established by the Department of Transportation circa 1995, except in the area of Interstate 40 East. Counties. The described segments constitute three projects."

SECTION 2. The Department of Transportation shall strive to expedite the federal environmental impact statement process to define the route for the Southeast Extension of the Triangle Expressway Turnpike Project by promptly garnering input from local officials and other stakeholders, accelerating any required State studies, promptly submitting permit applications to the federal government, working closely with the federal government during the permitting process, and taking any other appropriate actions to accelerate the environmental permitting process.

SECTION 3. As part of its oversight of the Department of Transportation, the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee shall closely monitor the progress of the Southeast Extension of the Triangle Expressway Turnpike Project.

SECTION 3.1. This act is effective only if House Bill 817, 2013 Regular Session, becomes law.



SECTION 4. This act is effective when it becomes law.
In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 4th day of June, 2013.

s/ Daniel J. Forest
President of the Senate

s/ Thom Tillis
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Pat McCrory
Governor

Approved _____m. this _____ day of _____, 2013